

DIARY NOTES

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1. Mr. Dulles received a call from Congressman Taber who indicated that we might be called for our Budget Hearing before the House Appropriations Committee at any minute. This was discussed at the Deputies' Meeting at which time it was agreed that an outline would be prepared for the Director to use which would point up the major events in the world since our last Hearing, those in which CIA had played a role, and just what role we actually do play. Mr. [REDACTED] Office of the Deputy Director (Plans), and Mr. [REDACTED] Office of the Deputy Director (Intelligence), were designated to work on this, Norman Paul being responsible for pulling it together.

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2. The Director expressed his interest in getting some work started on our Langley site. In this connection I asked [REDACTED] to advise the Public Buildings Service and Harrison & Abramovitz that we would like to expedite as much as possible the letting of a site development contract. He will advise me of the earliest date he thinks that this can be done.

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3. Talked to [REDACTED] Stan Grogan about an outline for the Director's 8 May speech to members of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce. Bob has turned over his material to Stan who has accepted the responsibility for preparation of the outline.

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4. [REDACTED] telephoned and asked if it would be possible to spend \$2,000 or so to extend an option on a piece of property which the WE Division expects to buy in [REDACTED]. Inasmuch as he said that the study on this subject was finished and only needed to be typed, I told him that I thought it would be better to make a decision on whether we should purchase the property rather than to obtain an extension of the option for a few days at a cost of \$2,000.

5. Participated in the briefing of Hugh S. Cumming, Jr., former Ambassador to Indonesia, who is replacing Park Armstrong as a Special Assistant for Intelligence to the Secretary of State.

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6. [REDACTED] advised me that [REDACTED] was doing excellent work in the Regulations Control Staff and that he and [REDACTED] wanted to promote him. I told him that I was extremely pessimistic about [REDACTED]' future in the Agency in that his medical history made his possible areas of assignment extremely narrow.

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7. Talked to Kirk about the assignment of [REDACTED]. He thought it might be possible to assign [REDACTED] in the I&R Staff on a temporary basis. However, [REDACTED] talked to Dan who is sympathetic to the problem but unwilling to accept him unless directed to do so. The same sentiment was expressed by Ed Saunders and Jim Garrison when Vernon contacted them in the same connection.

Vernon has interviews lined up for [REDACTED] at the Atomic Energy Commission and the National Security Agency. However, [REDACTED] has indicated to Vernon that he does not

want to have these interviews until I have taken action on his charges against John

[REDACTED]. In this connection I told Vernon I did not believe that the outcome of my investigation would affect [REDACTED] assignment and that in any case I did not think it

would be possible for him to return to the Management Staff. I am to see [REDACTED] and explain this to him.

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